

Many East European sources are convinced that it was neither "the military" (the favorite American explanation) nor "the Sino-Soviet crisis" that brought Khrushchev's ouster. The principal factor, they hold, was the opposition of the Soviet managerial class, which mounted to the point of virtual ultimatum to the Central Committee. And the opposition was based on the plain fact that Khrushchev's economic policies have in recent years been

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wrecking Soviet agriculture and industry. In the last two or three years, the spectacular industrial growth rate of the postwar period has sunk close to zero; the farming collapse is a world scandal. The managers demanded a "businesslike" government; but so long as Soviet society operates within the Communist framework, the objective analysts—even some Soviet analysts—doubt that this is possible no matter what individuals sit at the controls in the Kremlin.

## LONDON

## Britannia Under the Waves

Harold Wilson has openly and provocatively emphasized the class angle in Labor's replacement of the Tories in the government. In his opening speech to Parliament, he boasted at length about not having appointed any school-mate or family relation as Minister (thus sneering at the close school and family ties of the British "upper classes"). An Oxford accent is a rarity in his Cabinet. The symbols are pervasive. As a significant example, the Minister of Defense for the Army has been made Deputy to the Minister of Defense, Denis Healey, which means that he takes over when Healey is not at home, and gets £500 a year more than the Ministers for the Navy and Air Force. Thus the Army—relatively the most plebeian branch, and incidentally the least advanced technologically—becomes Senior Service, for the first time in English history taking the place traditionally assigned to the Royal Navy.

## DAR ES SALAAM

## War for the South

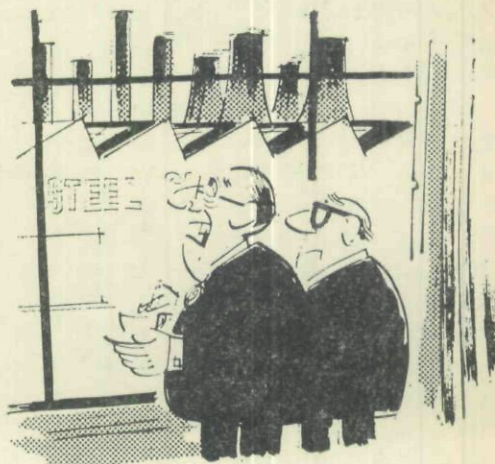
The first battles of the war for Mozambique turned out, as usual, to be more extensive in words than deeds. But words can be just as deadly as deeds these days, and in any case more deeds are soon to follow. More than a thousand "freedom fighters," many of them fresh from training schools in Algeria, Egypt and Cuba, are believed to be on hand in Tanzania. They are grouped in the "Mozambique Liberation Front" (Frelimo), run by Dr. Eduardo Mondlane and Uria Simango, which operates under the Organization of African Unity's "Committee of Nine," headed by Oscar Kambona, Tanzania's Minister of External Affairs. The highly publicized events of two months ago—including the "flood" of "tens of thousands"

of refugees fleeing from "Portuguese brutality" across the Rubuma river (bordering Mozambique and Tanzania)—were largely imaginary. An American TV news team waited for days on the river bank to get shots of refugees crossing, but finally had to arrange with a local English trader to order his employees to paddle out to midstream and then paddle back for the TV cameras with appropriate expressions of fright and despair. Nevertheless, some infiltration of terrorists and saboteurs has taken place, and the Frelimo units are well armed with Russian, American and British weapons. Because this time the Portuguese are well prepared, Mozambique will probably not have to undergo a frightful mass massacre comparable to that of March 16, 1961 in Angola. But the Liberators of southern Africa will not be content without a considerable amount of blood.

## BOUCHES-DU-RHONE, FRANCE

## Pirate TV

The security squad of the French government's radio-TV monopoly recently discovered in a village here, more or less by accident, one more of the home-made TV booster transmitters that exist by the hundreds all through southern France. Like all other government radio-TV monopolies, France's ORTF bores its audience stiff. For years, French radio listeners have kept their sets tuned most of the time to Europe's two commercial radio

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outlets—Luxembourg and Monaco—which are powerful enough to be heard nearly everywhere. But TV's range is limited to line-of-horizon. Therefore, in areas somewhat beyond the normal fringe, the local electrician will put an aerial at the top of the highest tree, assemble a small booster apparatus, and permit his neighbors to enjoy Monaco-TV's rock-'n-roll and un-Gaullicized news. Under the French law setting up the governmental monopoly, this is, naturally, a horrendous crime. Scores of security agents have been assigned to ferret out this electronic treason.

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